TURKEY HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

November 8, 2011

Minutes of Meeting

Meeting called to order at 5:00PM.

Present: Timothy Santry, Greg Berthiaume, Donna Celuzza, Linda Hallisey, Kim Thomas, and Heidi Champagne

Introductions were made as this was the first meeting of the year.

Upcoming Meetings: 12/20, 1/24, 3/13, 4/24 and open date in May

Building Tour:

- solar panels cut electricity cuts by 33%
- new bleachers in gymnasium now handicap accessible
- new resurfaced floor and climbing wall in gym
- white boards in all classrooms
- driveway resurfaced

2011 Changes:

- Two mobile iPad carts
- 8th grade reconfiguration to five teachers: hybrid model of instruction preparing students for high school model
- PowerSchool implementation
- RT
- Advisory groups for 8th grade teach long term goal setting and decision making skills
- MASST program (Metacognitive Approach to social skills training)

MCAS review

- Results made public in September
- Mixed results: student growth, moving to advanced and proficient
- Vulnerability: did not achieve AYP in math subgroups, aggregate ELA and Math

Review and revise School Improvement Plan

Goal #1:

- Formation of intervention blocks
- Creation of interventionist (certified math teacher)
- Review of curriculum maps to ensure alignment with new common core
- Vertical alignment with high school to ensure smooth transition
- Work with math consultant to ensure alignment
- Dr. Berthiaume questioned if work to create alignment had already been completed
- Reporting out on Results